



Crown Point High School  
Crown Point, Indiana

## SURVEY REVEALS TOP HONOR ROLL STUDENTS

The Inklings, in a special survey for the current issue is revealing the names of those students who achieved high scholastic honors during the first six-weeks.

Ann Hathaway and Kay Barmore have the most A's to their credit and to them we doff our hats. A deep bow too is sent in the direction of Betty Ann Boyd, Mildred Blim Florence Petry, Robert Kubal, Marjorie Schlaeger and Jane Vance for their five "A's" each. Betty Bullock, Ruth Fuchs, Kathryn Lennertz, Don McLean, Karen Meeker, Janna Rohrback, Betty Watson, Nyra Foster, and Lois Mathias, Marian Moe, Richard Patterson and Barbara Stuhlmacher rate a salute for the four "A's" on each of their cards.

Three "A's" each were received by twelve seniors, six juniors, eight sophomores, and thirteen freshmen. Thirty-two girls and fifteen boys received (continued--col. 2)

## DEBATE ASSEMBLY SCHEDULED FOR NOV. 5

A demonstration debate in condensed form will be presented by Dixon Barr and Noel Kickels, affirmative and Betty Jaeger and Bob Kubal, negative, Friday morning, November 5, in an assembly program at the Community Building.

Our school ranks third in the League Conference, and team members report that they are determined to have our school on top soon.

Last night CPHS debators were hosts to the Calumet Debate League teams from Hammond High, Horace Mann, Hammond Clark, (continued--page 9)

two A's on their card. A total of eighty seven have "A" registered once on their records this grading period.

The Inklings staff sends orchids to all who earned an "A" on their cards. These are the students who will still be "grade A" after graduation in all probability.

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## ADMINISTRATORS PLAN FOR EDUCATION WEEK

"American Education Week," states Mr. Erwin, principal, "should be a time for conveying to patrons and to the public the spirit of schools in action."

Accordingly, the administration and the faculty are inviting the parents of all CPHS students to visit school during the weeks of November 7 to 13. Visitors will be welcome any afternoon. Monday is set aside for freshmen parents; Tuesday, November 9, for sophomore parents; Wednesday, November 10 for junior; and Thursday, November 11 for senior parents. Tea will be served every afternoon in the cafeteria.

"It is highly important that a nation observe such a period. Thru participating in such a week, the parents and teachers will become better acquainted and the problems of both should be more definitely realized," Mr. Erwin added.

# THE STUDENTS — — SPEAK — ABOUT — ELECTIONS

This was the question asked in an impartial poll taken around C.P.H.S. last week: "If you were twenty-one and could vote in this important election year, which party would you vote for?" If our school had been the deciding factor in this year's presidential race the 75 votes cast here would have tallied as follows:

Republican Party.....	25 votes
Democratic Party.....	24 votes
Prohibitionists.....	9 votes
Vegetarians (!).....	8 votes
Socialists.....	4 votes
Progressive.....	3 votes

Only two students asked in this survey were without opinion and refused to vote.

"Why would you vote for this party?" was the next question asked of several upper-classmen. Below are the answers received:

Ron Barr—"I feel that the Democrats have been in office for sixteen years and haven't been able to do anything for the United States. So it won't do any more harm to try a different party. They may be able to stop this slight depression."

Donna West—"If I were old enough to vote I'd cast my vote for Truman because Dewey stands for big business whereas Truman stands for the laboring class of people!"

John McGinnis—"I would cast my vote for the Vegetarian Party because I do not believe in the slaughtering of poor defenseless "animules."

Bob Sautter—"One of these days I am going to get old. The Republican Party and Dewey say the old age pension will be increased and a shorter number of years required to receive it. Therefore I would cast my one big vote for the Republican Party."

Dorothy Dickens—"I would vote for President Truman, because it isn't his fault that our country is in the present condition. It's the Republican Congress that vetoes all his bills."

Dan Ford—"As a matter of fact, I don't believe either candidate (Republican or Democratic) is really capable of handling the job of President of the United States. I have been listening to speeches and reading the newspapers and I have come to the conclusion that Mr. Truman is the better man."

Lorraine Howard—"I would vote for the Prohibitionist Party because my best friends Joe, Moe, and Hemo are always drinking (and I don't mean Grapette!)"

## THE INKLINGS STAFF

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## SCALES INTERPRETS ATTENDANCE & ENROLLMENT

Mr. Scales, attendance officer, reports the enrollment of C.P.H.S. tabulates as follows:

Class	Boys	Girls	Total	Excess
fresh	75	71	146	4 b
soph	56	83	139	27 g
junior	65	70	135	5 g
senior	47	66	113	19 g
	<u>243</u>	<u>290</u>	<u>533</u>	

Since the girls have a 47 head lead, you can understand why boys stick so close together. It is also a good excuse for allowing girls to dance together, boys.

Mr. Scales reports that attendance was comparatively good during the first 29 days of school. The 544 days of absences leave our attendance percentage 96.47%. During this same period, however, 44 students were tardy 55 times, averaging about two per day. Mr. Scales urged that students make an effort to improve this record.

## MACHINIST CLUB PLANS TRIPS

"The Machinist Club will visit several factories this year," announced Elvin Schultz, Club president, following the meeting held October 12. The South Bend Lathe Company and a factory at Michigan City were suggested for the proposed trips. Last year the Club visited the Museum of Science and Industry, and McGill's Bearing Co. of Valparaiso.

Plans were made for Mr. Hale and his foremen to visit other shops in the region. Crown Point Shop was recently host to the Hobart Shop teacher and foremen.

## DEBATE TEAM DEFEATS 2

On October 27, the local debate team won two and lost two at a meet in Hammond Clark High. Our team beat Horace Mann (Gary) and Roosevelt (East Chicago) but our affirmative and negative teams lost to Hammond High.

## JUNIORS SELL CHRISTMAS CARDS

The junior class is now offering a wide selection of Christmas cards. Seven types of traditional cards as well as religious, gift, and humorous types are available, plain or engraved according to the customer's preference.

Sales started October 18, and will conclude around the end of November. In addition to selling cards, the salesmen are offering boxed wrapping papers in two styles. Both boxes include ribbons and stickers.

The salesmen, under the direction of Roger Mitchell and Jim Aiken include Mary Marshall, Shirley Zizkovsky, Gail Aylesworth, Bettyann Boyd, Florence Petry, Tom Greimann, Ron Barr, Jerry Seegers, Mary Ann Leathers, Betty Steuer, Arlene Dittmer, Mary DeLaurier, Elaine Ahlgren, Jeanette Carl, Marian Drew, Peggy Cutler, Dixon Barr, and Edna Carlson.

## GIRLS CONFERENCE SPONSORS MEET AT COTTAGE

Eleven Lake County high schools were represented at a preliminary tea and meeting held at C.P.H.S. Wednesday, October 27 to discuss plans for the 10th annual Lake County Girls' Conference. April 30, 1949 was the date chosen by the thirteen sponsors as most convenient for their schools.

Schools represented at this meeting were Whiting, Hobart, Dyer, Froebel, Emerson, Roosevelt of Gary, Roosevelt and Washington of East Chicago, Hammond Tech, Merrillville, Calumet Township, and Horace Mann, where last year's Conference was held. Lowell High School was unable to attend because of lack of transportation.

Refreshments were served by a general tea committee consisting of Lois Mathias, Chairman, Mary and Dodie Marshall, Dolores Eischhutt, Virginia Fagen, and Dorothy Bechmann.

# DO YOU HAVE YOUR DERBY YET?

Hear ye!! Hear ye!! A stupendous bargain has just been announced that will set the Senior fellas on their ears!!!!!! Tom Westphal has NEW UNUSED \$7.00 derbies reduced to \$3.50! Tom's inside track will not be revealed for the sake of security, but Miller's Toggery of Gary is involved. This should be enough to assure the fellas they will really look sharp with these bargain derbies! (They aren't from a fire sale, either!)

## BEHIND THE SCENES AT THE SENIOR PLAY

When the Seniors present "Spring Fever" November 12 in the Community Building, there will be many unsung heroes in the background who have helped to make the play a success. Gary Knotts won't be seen on the stage, but he'll be behind scenes, seeing that the telephone rings at the right moment. Bob Smead, Elizabeth Iso-Lampi, Beverly Burtner, and John Prendergast are already running all over town looking for such props as a record of a baby crying and an electric toothbrush. Jackie Platt, Arletta Hubbell, Dorothy Beckmann, and Helen Reis will be behind the curtains to save the actors' reputations by the right word at the right time in their roles as promptors. Standing committees have been appointed and include Helen Lewis, Janet Gray, Eupha Williams, Ed Whitehead, Joan Smith, Don Becker, Roleen Clark, Alice Fritts, Mau-rine Schneider, and Leonora Tolemy. When you arrive, look for Leota Stephenson, Pat Bildz, Lois Barber, Dolores Melcher, Ileen Hays, or Nell Maloney, who will show you to your seat. The Senior Class hopes to give you an enjoyable evening.

## BOBBIE'S NEWSY

NOTES

Have you been hearing a sound of mad banging from the direction of the band building? Hope you haven't been alarmed! It wasn't Mr. Ewing beating out time, just two jolly boys, John McGinnis and Don Saager, hammering on the shelves they built in the store-room for the band instruments. John and Don also built a desk for Mr. Ewing in one corner of his office and some coat hangers for room 1 of the band building.

The band, after a close election for officers, elected Dick Schafer, President; Bill Schmal, Vice-President; and Barbara Stuhlmacher, Secretary-Treasurer.

Last Thursday morning the members of the A Capella Choir boarded the school bus dressed in their best and rode out to Oak Knoll Country Club where they were met by Mr. Reeves and photographed for the Excalibur. After Donna West pulled a dead cat off the highway and Bob Kedzo finished playing with a golf ball found on the course, Mr. Reeves started to arrange the choir for the picture. Just then John Prendergast and Paul Petry clattered up on Chuck Kubal's motor scooter. They were late, of course, for they had missed the bus. Mr. Reeves smiled and began again to arrange the choir. He took several shots of the A Capella seated on the side of a hill and then took pictures of the Triple Trio and Sextette with this outdoor setting.

## MEET A NEW SENIOR!

Bonnie Porter, our new senior, comes from Metropolis, Illinois. Bonnie, the 113th member of her class and the sixth new senior girl of the year, brings to eight the number of new seniors. She likes CPHS, and finds everyone friendly. Welcome to CP, Bonnie!



## A PEEK AT THE SENIOR PLAY

vels at the different methods staff members have in getting things done to beat the deadline!

What have we here? It seems that Ginny Fagen, Dolores Eisenhut, Jim Feder, and Ann Letsinger have something pretty serious to talk about--or is it that Ann wants Jim to have a big football picture taken (of himself, naturally!)

Those two lucky students chosen for the education photo are seniors Lois Vance and George Grubbe. Look serious, kids--after all, it is an education photo!

"Tell me, crystal ball" says Roger Leeson; "How are we going to finance our yearbook?" "That's easy," answers Bill Barnmore, Pete Harlow and Bettyann Boyd. "Use your personality!"

What's this? Someone's crying, and we bet you know who! Why it's none other than Roger Mitchell, the joy-boy of the Yearbook staff! Now, Miss Ebel, let's stick to business and not tell jokes (we know you like to watch Roger go into hysterics, but business before pleasure!)

As we leave this cheerful (?) group we notice that their thinking caps are on, trying to decide how the cover should be arranged. Chuck Kubal pops in with this--"We got a cover--what cha complainin' about?"

Shaking our heads bewilderingly, we reason out the staff's actions with this philosophy: "Such is life!"

"For heaven's sake, get those sound effects in on time!" screamed a voice from back stage. "Where are those props?" came another weary voice? Did anyone touch the grease paint?-----Put that chair over there-----stop clowning and get to work-----has anyone seen Waymire?----time out for a drink of water.

These and similar problems are common in the production of a play. It takes a lot of hard work, but between all the sweat and sleepless hours there is a dash of humor too!

Watching the senior play practice is quite a lot of fun. For instance who was the mean little kid who let the cat in the other night? Why, Miss Shelby, how stunning you do look with a cat on your lap! Of course there always has to be a web in the cast, meaning Bob Starks who gaily tripped over the threshold and broke it. He couldn't have been anxious to get out, could he? No play practice is complete without someone always coming in on the wrong cue. After watching Marlene Belshaw pound away at the piano for hours at a time, we wonder if she will be a great artist like Iturbi some day.

Being in a play certainly means learning your part, but Jack Glassford seems to find some unique way to steal a glance at his play book. Maybe he spends too much time thinking about the shoebox he is supposed to bring, but always forgets.

After 3 hours of play practice every night, the kids are really worn out, but your reporter predicts you'll be proud of them come November 12.

WOOD

## SHOP SHAVINGS



The other day as I made my way to our Wood Shop, echoing noises heralded the hum of saws and other machines. The Shop, by no means adequate, needs more room, more wood lathes, and an additional teacher. Yet it is still an important part of our school program. Here students learn woodcrafts, making many articles for their homes, and also for the school. Mr. Hale, Machine Shop instructor, shares with Mr. Church, Wood Shop instructor, the teaching of the Mechanical Drawing classes where students learn to draw their own plans.

As I wandered through the aisles, I spotted John Palmer and Dave Ruble sandpapering for dear life on a book rack. Lionel Lear chiseled and planed a kitchen cabinet, while Harold Busse and John Csonka were working on wall racks. Nearby, John McGinnis was stewing over a clever coffee table, while George Grubbe calmly worked on a combination book rack. Back in the Finishing Room John Hoffman painted his tool box, others huffed and puffed over bedside tables they were re-doing for the Leesons. The boys usually start alone on a project but enlist help from friends on such tedious jobs as sandpapering.

Mr. Church said that in his six years here no one has suffered a major injury, a fact of which he is justifiably proud. This record may be partly attributed to the fact that only advanced students, with permission of their parents, may learn to operate the power machines.

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Dear Lulu,

The kids in C.P.H.S. are really swell in helping us dig up all sorts of "scatter chatter" around school. Our SCUM box was filled sky-high!!

It seems as though Marilyn O'Sullivan is engaged to a certain "Pookey" in the marines, and Pat Bunnell has found her love in the Navy.

Gee Lulu, some of the kids really hit it off swell, now take Marty and Floyd for instance. Ah, yes, such is love!! Everyone is asking us if Noel Kickles received a reply from a certain Lew Wallace guy.---It seems that Kathryn Whited is making pretty good time with a certain Don Powers from Wallace. What have these guys got???

Have you noticed the gleam in Millicent McKnight's eyes--could it be for Burdette Homeier??

John Palmer's long romance with "dear Mary" is a two-sided affair, hay, Janet? Ruth Stronach thinks Gibby Fritts is soooo masculine. Carol Hill and Leroy Doty are found carrying on a conversation in 4th period English class.

Faye Scott is having a hard time deciding who is the worse lover, "Dracula" or Lee Reynolds. Mont Wood, the girls "swoon croon" man is really making a big hit this year. Is the competition too "tuff" Marie?? Why doesn't Don McColley give the C.P. girls a break? At least Wilma Nickles, Rita Sylvia takes up all her time in study hall writing to a certain soldier.

Todo nuestro amo,

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# STINKLINGS

All future issues of the STINKLINGS are to appear similar to this page. Each reporter will be required to stencil and mimeograph 18 pages of copy which he, himself, has written.

Miss Iceburger has announced plans to write a teachers' scum column and begin an investigation committee on criminal tendencies in the teaching department.

Don McLean has begun a fashion column on "Poodle Cuts" while Glenn Adams is handling a series on the Lingerie Industry.

Don Hedges has begun an "Advice to the Lovelorn Column" and Bob Bowman has secured the services of Tidy Bennett to help write the "Top Ten."

Jerry Thompson is now writing a series of articles debunking English grammar.

Bill Dankert has announced plans to quit women. "I'm going to devote my life to mimeograph machines," said Bill. "They're so round, so firm, so fully packed!"

Marion Whited has created a hydrogen bomb which he intends to explode on the Fourth of July.

Joan Scott received a "D" in English and threatens to resign as editor. (This news will make Hedges happy as he plans to overthrow the present authorities anyway.)

Millie Holland has bought a motorboat to use while interviewing people in Shop.

Tootie Williams has initiated a movement to censor all gossip in any United States papers.

Joy Shimko has been awarded the annual Stromboli Crumb Bum Nobel Prize for puzzle makers.

Mary Aiken promises to spend every evening from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the Annex keeping it neat (?)

Doris Jones has received word from President Truman (Egads, not another letter!) that he plans to give an assembly on "How to Make Friends and Influence People."

Rose Marie Kerns is writing a thesis on "The Placid and Peaceful Occupation of Reporting."

Pete Peterson is being shipped to Alaska next June to get a personal interview with a 500 year old reindeer.

Joyce Coash picked all the letters off the staff type-writer keys after Barb Joens poured 80 cans of ink in the mimeograph machine.

Georgene Schmal is now writing a feature called "Speaking Slowly and Coherently."

Edith Rousselange has purchased a Cadillac convertible to transport staff members home tonight.

*Road Scott*  
EDITOR